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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROSECUTION - GROUP ART UNIT 1762

03500.015262

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: M. Padgett  
TAKESHI SHISHIDO ET AL. )  
: Group Art Unit: 1762  
Application No.: 09/822,191 )  
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Filed: April 2, 2001 )  
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For: EXHAUST PROCESSING METHOD, )  
PLASMA PROCESSING METHOD :  
AND PLASMA PROCESSING )  
APPARATUS : March 15, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

(a) Introductory Comments

In response to the final Office Action dated December 29, 2005, kindly  
amend the subject application under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 as follows.